

**PROPOSAL EVALUATION**  
***IRWM Grant Program – Planning Grant, Round 1, FY 2010-2011***

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<b>Applicant</b>	Coachella Valley Water District	<b>County</b>	San Diego, Imperial,
<b>Project Title</b>	Coachella Valley IRWM Planning Grant Proposal		Riverside, San Bernardino
		<b>Grant Request</b>	\$1,000,000
		<b>Total Project Cost</b>	\$1,386,380

**Project Description** The proposal updates the Coachella Valley IRWM Plan and will incorporate the information learned from the technical evaluations, as well as refinement of the objectives, priorities, and implementation framework with stakeholders. The IRWM update includes development and incorporation of an integrated flood management plan, salt and nutrient management plan, and a climate change response component.

**Evaluation Summary**

<b>Scoring Criterion</b>	<b>Score</b>
Work Plan	15
DAC Involvement	10
Schedule	10
Budget	10
Program Preferences	6
Geographic Balance	0
<b>Total Score</b>	<b>51</b>

- **Work Plan** The background section provides a comprehensive description of the RWMG and stakeholders. Plan objectives address major water-related issues and conflicts of the region, especially DAC issues. The IRWM Plan contains a process to select projects for inclusion in the IRWM Plan. Each task was presented with adequate detail and completeness. When implemented, the work plan will address the regional objectives and result in a standards compliant IRWM Plan
- **DAC Involvement** The work plan demonstrates strong involvement and collaboration with DACs. The work plan includes outreach activities that are conducted to solicit DAC and EJ members to participate in the IRWMP process, and help resolve their water related issues. Major water-related issues have been identified through outreach efforts. DACs are currently very active in the planning stage either through DAC meetings and/or being active as part of the Planning Partners group. DAC projects are planned to be implemented within the DAC communities.
- **Schedule** The schedule correlates with the work plan and budget. The schedule is reasonable given the time already spent performing public outreach, identifying issues in the region, soliciting projects, and prioritizing those projects based on urgency, need, and regional planning.
- **Budget** Budget for proposal is broken down into a summary of the overall project and two detailed estimates of the project cost and staff labor. Costs are further broken down to proposed funding match and requested grant fund by percentage. Budget items correspond to tasks in the work plan and correlate directly with items in the schedule.
- **Program Preference** Six program preferences (effectively integrate water management programs, address critical water supply or water quality needs of DACs, climate change response, integrated flood management, protect surface and groundwater quality, improve tribal water and natural resources) have been adequately addressed.
- **Geographic Balance** Not Applicable